AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A method of providing data to an
5 application, comprising the steps of:

providing a mailfile <u>stored on a server,</u> of documents having a
section and fields;

10 receiving a request from an application <u>running on a user</u>
<u>workstation different from said server,</u> for one of said
documents;

retrieving said fields of said one of said documents from said
15 mailfile;

in response to said fields, retrieving said one of said documents
as a markup language document;

20 inserting <u>at said server,</u> a URL into said markup language
document to retrieve said section of said one of said documents;

retrieving <u>at said server,</u> said section from said mailfile in
said markup language;
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removing <u>at said server,</u> said URL from the retrieved document and
creating an object having said section expanded in the retrieved
document; and

30 sending said object to said application.

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2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said fields are retrieved as an XML document.

5   3. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said markup language is HTML.

4. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said one of said
10   documents has a file attachment link.

5. (original) The method of claim 4, further comprising the steps of retrieving said attachment, removing said link, and inserting
15   said attachment into said object.

6. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said one of said documents has an image tag.
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7. (original) The method of claim 6, further comprising the steps of retrieving the image of said image tag, encoding said image, and inserting the encoded image in place of said image tag in the
25   retrieved document.

8. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said one of said documents has a link to other items in said document.
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9. (original) The method of claim 8, further comprising the steps

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of retrieving the content of said link, and inserting said
content in the retrieved document at the position of said link.

5   10. (currently amended) A system for providing data stored in a
mailfile to an application, comprising:

a mailfile stored on a server, having data stored as documents
with sections;
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a database for passing a request from an application running on a
user workstation, for one of said documents to said mailfile and
upon return of said one of said documents, converting said one of
said documents into an extended markup format;
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an authentication directory having authentication records for an
application; and

mail and calendaring web service software running on a server
20   different from said workstation, for receiving a said request
from an said application for a document, receiving text files in
an extended markup format from said database, accessing binary
data from said mailfile, creating an object comprising the
converted document with said binary data inserted, authenticating
25   said application using said directory, and sending said object to
said application.

11. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein said database and
30   said software run on different servers.

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12. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein said extended markup format is XML.

5   13. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein said software is adapted to operate without the need of a mail or calendaring client.

10   14. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein said software is adapted to retrieve said sections of said document from said mailfile.

15   15. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein said binary data is an image file.

16. (currently amended) A computer system for exposing a mail and
20   calendaring document to an application, said system comprising:

means for storing on a server, mail and calendaring documents having a section and fields, in a mailfile;

25   means for receiving a request from an application running on a user workstation, for one of said documents;

means for retrieving said fields of said one of said documents form said mailfile as an extended markup language document;
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inserting at said server, a URL into said extended markup language document to retrieve said section of said one of said

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documents;

retrieving <u>at said server,</u> said section from said mailfile in a
second markup language;

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removing <u>at said server,</u> said URL from the retrieved document and
creating an object having said section ~~expanded~~ <u>expanded</u> in the
retrieved document; and

10   sending said object to said application.

17. (original) The computer system of claim 16, wherein said
extended markup language is XML.

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18. (original) The computer system of claim 17, wherein said
second markup language is HTML.

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19. (currently amended) A computer program product for
instructing a processor to provide mail and calendaring data to
an application, said computer program product comprising:

25   a computer readable medium;

first program instruction means for retrieving fields in an
extended markup language, of a document having a section, in a
mailfile <u>stored on a server,</u> in response to a request from an
30   application <u>running on a user workstation;</u>

second program instruction means for inserting <u>at said server,</u> a

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URL into said document to retrieve said section of said document;

third program instruction means for retrieving <u>at said server,</u> said section from said mailfile in a second markup language;

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fourth program instruction means for removing <u>at said server,</u> said URL from the retrieved document and creating an object having said section expanded in the retrieved document; and

10   fifth program instruction means for sending said object to said application; and wherein

all said program instruction means are recorded on said medium.

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20. (original) The computer program product of claim 19, wherein said extended markup language is XML.

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